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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2003 in which Claims 61, 63, 65 and 69-75 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, and Claims 62, 64 and 66-68 are objected to. The rejection was made final Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are requested.

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